

Teens and Distracted Driving

Have you ever experienced or done any of the following?

	All Teens 12-17	Older teens 16-17	Cell users ages 16-17	Texters ages 16-17
Been in a car when the driver was texting	48	64	70	73
Been in a car when the driver used a cell phone in a way that put themselves or others in danger	40	48	51	52
Talked on a cell phone while driving	n/a	43	52	54
Texted while driving	n/a	26		

Half (52%) of cell-owning teens ages 16-17 have talked on a cell phone while driving. That translates into 43% of older teens ages 16-17.

Pew Internet & American Life Project, Teens and Mobile Phones Survey conducted September 24, 2009. N=800 teens ages 12-17 and the margin of error is $\pm 4\%$ for all teens. For older teens ages 16-17, N=283. For cell users ages 16-17, N=242. For texters ages 16-17, N=222. Margins of error for these subgroups range between $\pm 6\%$ and 7% .